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PATENT
Docket No.: 081551-000000US
Client Ref. No.: B10066PWOUS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Robert MIRLACH and Bjoern
KOCH

Int'l Appln No.: PCT/EP2004/010109

Int'l Filing Date: September 10, 2004

U.S. Application No.: 10/574,389

For: EXHAUST SYSTEM FOR AN
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

Confirmation No.: 8976

Examiner:

Art Unit:

REQUEST TO ADD AN INVENTOR
UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.497(d)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a request under 37 CFR Section 1.497(d) to correct the incorrect original naming of inventors as set forth in the International Application filed on September 10, 2004, by adding previously unnamed inventor Bjoern KOCH as a co-inventor in the subject application.

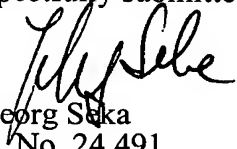
The following documents are attached:

1. Processing Fee of \$130 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(i);
2. Statement of Bjoern KOCH, the person being added as an inventor, stating that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part;
3. Statement of Robert MIRLACH, the named inventor during the International Phase, stating that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part;
4. Declaration executed by each of the actual inventors as required by 37 CFR Section 1.497(d)(4);

5. Executed consent of Assignees Bayerische Motoren Werke
Aktiengesellschaft and Friedrich Boysen GmbH & Co. KG to change inventorship
under 37 CFR Section 1.497(d); and

6. Copy of the originally-submitted Application Data Sheet, which
shows the correct inventorship.

Respectfully submitted,



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Technology Center/Art Unit:

STATEMENT BY
ADDED JOINT INVENTOR
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.497(d)(1) _____

I, Bjoern Koch, declare that I am being added as a joint inventor with regard to International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010109 and that the error in inventorship in the international application occurred without deceptive intention on my part.

Dated: x 11.05.2006

x 
Bjoern Koch

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STATEMENT OF NAMED
INVENTOR ROBERT MIRLACH

I, Robert Mirlach, confirm that I am the inventor of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/010109, that Bjoern Koch is a joint inventor, and that the error in inventorship in the international application occurred without deceptive intention on my part.

Dated: X 13.6.2006



Robert Mirlach

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SECTION 1.497(d))

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Sir:

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Bjoern KOCH

as an inventor of the above-identified patent application.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 3.73, a copy of the inventors' executed assignment submitted for recording is enclosed to establish Bayerische Motoren Werke Aktiengesellschaft's and Friedrich Boysen GmbH & Co. KG's joint ownership of the

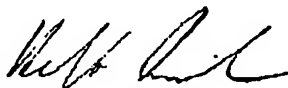
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Title: Geschäftsführer
Date: 02. April 2007

Application Data Sheet

Application Information

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Application Type::

Regular

Subject Matter::

Utility

Title::

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Engine

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Request for Early Publication::

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Petition included?::

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Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.::

No

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